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Mr. Jasper Craven
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Dear Mr. Craven:

This letter is to acknowledge receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), dated June 30, 2019, requesting:

- Emails between VA Secretary Robert Wilkie and top officials at the VA's Office of Tribal Government Relations, including Stephanie Birdwell, Peter Vicaire between July 23, 2018 and present day. Key words include: "plan," "trump," "benefits claims," "meeting," "cost," "Tribal Advisory Committee Act," "tribe," "visit," "tribal organization," "NCAI."

The FOIA Service received this request on July 1, 2019, and assigned it tracking number **19-09069-F**. Please refer to this number when communicating with the VA about this request.

The records you seek are not maintained in this office. We are referring your request to the VA's Office of the Secretary for a file search and a direct response to you. If you wish to know the status of your request, please contact them directly at the following address:

Department of Veterans Affairs
FOIA Officer: Mr. Richard Ha
Office of the Secretary
810 Vermont Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20420
Email: OSVAFOIA@va.gov / Phone: (202) 461-4857 / Fax: (202) 273-4880

This concludes the FOIA Service's action on your request.

We appreciate your interest in the VA. If you have questions about this letter, please contact Ms. Diane Cooke of my staff at 202-632-7419.

Sincerely,

Ms. Dolores Johnson
Director, VACO FOIA Service
Quality, Performance, and Risk (QPR)
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